

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 remain in this application. Claim 1 is amended. No new matter is introduced.

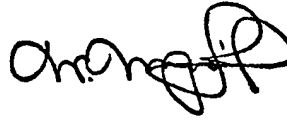
Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has amended Claim 1 such that Claim 1, as amended now recites that the dartboard body being --on top of-- the mounting seat. Applicant respectfully submits that such amendment should remove the Examiner's 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, rejection. No new matter is introduced.

Applicant has reviewed the prior art references cited by the Examiner and found that none of the references, either alone or in combination thereof, taught or suggested many of the key elements of the present invention. Applicant respectfully submits that, since many of the important limitations are lacking from the prior art teaching, a prima facie case cannot be made. In re Fine, 5 USPQ2d 1596 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

Applicant respectfully submits that Claim 1, as amended, should now be allowable. Since Claims 2-7 depend from Claim 1, Claim 1-7 are now allowable. A dependent claim should be considered allowable when its parent claim is allowed. In re McCarn, 101 U.S.P.Q. 411 (CCPA 1954).

In light of the foregoing, it is believed that the present invention is in condition for allowance. And Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner has any question, he or she is invited to call or fax Applicant's counsel at the telephone numbers below.

Respectfully Submitted,



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